BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF XTO ENERGY INC. FOR AN ORDER: (1) **VACATING** THE BOARD'S ORDER ENTERED IN CAUSE NO. 233-1; AND (2) SUSPENDING UTAH ADMIN. CODE RULE R649-3-2 AS TO THE WEST WILLOW CREEK FEDERAL UNIT. COMPRISED OF SECTION 23: LOTS 9-13, E½SE¼; SECTION 24: LOT 2, NE¼NW¼, S½NW¼, E½, SW¼ [ALL]; SECTION 25: ALL; SECTION 26: LOTS 4-7, E½, SW¼; TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 19 EAST, S.L.B. & M., UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH

NOTICE OF HEARING

Docket No. 2015-008 Cause No. 233-02

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING MATTER.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Board"), State of Utah, will conduct a hearing on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2015, at 9:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The hearing will be conducted as a formal administrative adjudication in accordance with the rules of the Board as set forth in Utah Administrative Code R641 et seq., and as provided for in Utah Code Ann. § 40-6-1 et seq., and Utah Code Ann. § 63G-4-101 through 601.

The purpose of the hearing will be for the Board to receive testimony and evidence regarding a Request for Agency Action that the Board enter an Order:

- 1. Vacating the Board's Order entered on June 22, 1994 in Cause No. 233-1 in which the Board had authorized gas injection for the secondary recovery of oil from the Green River formation in portions of the lands described in Paragraph 2 below;
- 2. Suspending Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-2 as to the West Willow Creek Federal Unit, comprised of the following Uintah County, Utah lands:

Township 9 South, Range 19 East, S.L.B. & M.

Section 23: Lots 9 through 13, E½SE¼

Section 24: Lot 2, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄,

E½, SW¼ [All]

Section 25: All

Section 26: Lots 4 through 7, E½, SW¼

(containing 2,067.58 acres)

(hereinafter the "Unit Area");

- 3. Providing that no future well may be located closer than 460 feet to the boundaries of the Unit Area without administrative approval of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining in accordance with Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-3; and
- 4. Providing for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances.

Objections to the Request for Agency Action must be filed with the Secretary of the Board at the address listed below no later than the 10th day of February, 2015. A party must file a timely written objection or other response in order to participate as a party at the Board hearing. Failure to participate can result in a default judgment.

Natural persons may appear and represent themselves before the Board. All other representation of parties before the Board will be by attorneys licensed to practice law in the

State of Utah, or attorneys licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction which meet the rules of the Utah State Bar for practicing law before the Utah Courts.

Persons interested in this matter may participate pursuant to the procedural rules of the Board. The Request for Agency Action, and any subsequent pleadings, may be inspected at the office of the undersigned, and inspected online at the Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining's website at http://ogm.utah.gov/amr/boardtemp/redesign/books.html.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring auxiliary communicative aids and services to enable them to participate in this hearing should call Julie Ann Carter at (801) 538-5277, at least three working days prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 29th day of January, 2015.

STATE OF UTAH BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING Ruland J. Gill, Jr., Chairman

/s/ Julie Ann Carter

Board Secretary

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLISHED NOTICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2015-008 Cause No. 233-02 to be PUBLISHED in the following newspapers on the following days:

February 1, 2015:

<u>The Salt Lake Tribune</u> and <u>Deseret Morning News</u>, newspapers of general circulation in Salt Lake City and County.

February 3, 2015:

<u>Uintah Basin Standard</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in Duchesne and Uintah Counties.

February 3, 2015:

<u>Vernal Express</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in Uintah and Daggett Counties.

Julie Am Cartar

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 2nd day of February, 2015, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2015-008, Cause No. 233-02, to be mailed by Email or via First Class Mail with postage prepaid, to the following:

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